

ARMENIANS EULOGIZE GENERAL ANDRANIK

Speakers at Memorial Meeting Mourn Him as Greatest Hero of Native Land.

More than 2,500 members of the Armenian colony here attended memorial services in Carnegie Hall yesterday afternoon for General Ozanian Andranik, Armenian patriot and soldier, who died in France on Aug. 31 at the age of 62. Speakers hailed him as the greatest Armenian of his time and an inspiration for the younger men to continue their efforts to attain independence for their country.

The services, which had been arranged by Armenian organizations and churches and were presided over by D. Arslanian, a rug merchant, started with a procession to the stage of 100 uniformed ex-soldiers who had fought with the General. Patriotic songs were sung. There were several speeches.

"Armenians all over the world are mourning today our greatest soldier and most honored hero," A. Vartandirat said. "He was wholehearted in his devotion to the cause of national emancipation. He was the foremost protector of enslaved Armenia and its oppressed people. All Armenians are bowed with sorrow, for General Andranik belonged to the whole nation.

"In his early youth he rose against the Turkish tyranny which filled our rivers with Armenian blood and made the moans of the people resound in the hills. His people had been persecuted for six centuries. When, after the war, he was disillusioned with the settlement, he said that he wished he could fight those who broke their promises to Armenia. May he rest in peace and his deeds and memory be an inspiration to his brethren in the struggle for an emancipated country."

Other speakers were Bishop Tyrlar, Dr. Dikijian and D. Vartan.